

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the City of Alameda is committed to addressing the rights of all citizens to have access to fair housing; and

WHEREAS, April 2011 marked the 43rd anniversary of the enactment of the Federal Fair Housing Act of 1968, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act, which states that discrimination in the sale and rental of housing based on race, religion, sex, national origin, disability or familial status is illegal; and

WHEREAS, California State law also protects against discrimination in housing based on marital status, age, sexual orientation, source of income, or any arbitrary factor; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has declared Alameda a hate-free city, reflecting the value this community places on equal opportunity for all, including non-discrimination in housing; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alameda, in partnership with Eden Council for Hope and Opportunity (ECHO), works to affirmatively further fair housing and opportunities in housing for all; and

WHEREAS, in order to heighten public awareness, the City of Alameda wishes to focus public attention on Fair Housing Month; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alameda encourages all residents and community organizations to observe the mandate of the Fair Housing Act in supporting the goal of equal housing opportunity for all people.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Marie L. Gilmore, Mayor of the City of Alameda, do hereby proclaim April 2011 as

Fair Housing Month

in the City of Alameda and encourage all residents and community organizations to celebrate the value of harmonious and diverse communities.

Marie L. Gilmore
Mayor

City Council
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